BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Executive Sessions

January 14-15, 1987

On motion by Mr. Bourdeaux, seconded by Mr. Hickman, the Board voted unanimously on Wednesday, January 14, 1987, that an executive session was necessary to discuss a personnel and legal matter in the Executive Office and legal matters at Mississippi Valley State University, the University of Mississippi, the University of Mississippi Medical Center, and the University of Southern Mississippi.

On motion by Dr. Lovelace, seconded by Mr. Hickman, the Board voted unanimously in executive session on Wednesday, January 14, 1987, to appoint Dr. Michael D. Robbins as Legislative Liaison for the Board of Trustees and all budgetary units under the Board of Trustees for the three-month period from January 1, 1987, through March 31, 1987. Dr. Robbins will be on loan from Delta State University for this period, and his salary will be adjusted upward \$1,000.00 per month for this period.

Requests to have representation on the Search Committee for Commissioner were considered from the alumni and faculty of Alcorn State University and Mississippi Valley State University and from the Council of Faculty Senates. On motion by Mr. Bourdeaux, seconded by Dr. Lovelace, the Board voted unanimously during executive session on Wednesday, January 14, 1987, to reconfirm its position that only members of the Board would serve on the Search Committee. The Board stressed the fact that it would welcome input from all interested persons.

On motion by Mr. Crosthwait, seconded by Mr. Watson, the Board voted unanimously during executive session on Wednesday, January 14, 1987, to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to use its discretion in seeking a rehearing of the decision made by the Supreme Court of Mississippi in the Board of Trustees, et al. v. J. B. Van Slyke, Jr., lawsuit.

On motion by Mr. Crosthwait, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously during executive session on Wednesday, January 14, 1987, to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to negotiate a settlement of up to \$10,000.00 for the <u>Gregory Everhart v. Otis Elevator Company v. University of Mississippi</u> lawsuit with approval of the Legal Committee of the Board.

The Board received a status report from the Office of the Attorney General concerning the denial of transfer from the Auburn School of Veterinary Medicine to the Mississippi State University School of Veterinary Medicine in Roger C. Kornegay v. Billy C. Ward, et al.

The Board received a status report from the Office of the Attorney General concerning the <u>Pro Travel of Mississippi, Inc., v. University of Southern Mississippi, et al.</u> lawsuit. Pro Travel of Mississippi, Inc. is seeking a preliminary injunction against the University of Southern Mississippi concerning a travel contract.

On motion by Mr. Bourdeaux, seconded by Mr. Rogers, the Board voted unanimously during executive session on Wednesday, January 14, 1987, to approve the request of the Presidents' Council to authorize the Council of Faculty Senates to appoint a faculty member to serve as advisor to the Board of Trustees under the same rules as previously approved for a student advisory to the Board. (SEE EXHIBIT A.)

Mr. Bryce Griffis, President of the Board and Chairman of the Search Committee, gave a progress report on the search for a Commissioner of Higher Education.

	Executive Secretary and Director
Approved:	

President